NEW SYNONYMY IN CYNIPOIDEA

(HYMENOPTERA)

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MESOCYNIPINAE

Baviana Barbotin, 1954. Bull. Ent. Soc. France 59(7-8): 125-7, figs. 1-3. Baviana ferruginea, n. g., n. sp. Q Monob. Oberthurellinae. Indochina. The figure of the abdomen with no mention of a tooth on the hind femur or of the scutellum ending in a spine suggested that the species belongs in the Mesocynipinae in the genus Paramblynotus. When this was called to his attention he agreed in letter of Angust 31, 1955 that it is a Paramblynotus and intends to publish a note to that effect. Apparently he has not done so. Baviana is a synonym of Paramblynotus Cameron (syn. n.) and the species is Paramblynotus ferrugineus (Barbotin) (comb. n.).

Decellea Benoit, 1956. Rev. Zool. Bot. Afr. 53(1-2): 51, fig. 1. Decellea yangambicola, n.g., n.sp. 9. Belgian Congo. Said to be related to Paramblynotus Cameron, a "genus of mostly Asiatic species." With no spur on any hind tarsal segment, with a distinct and sulcate petiole, the parapsidal grooves percurrent in the coarse sculpture, tergite V largest in the female and cubitus arising at middle of basal it is a Paramblynotus and this was called to his attention in May 1957. Decellea is a synonymy of Paramblynotus Cameron (syn. n.) and the species is Paramblynotus yangambicola (Benoit) (comb. n.). The median dorsal tooth on the truncation of the pronotum suggests it is related to Paramblynotus ruficollis (Cameron).

ASPICERINAE

Heteraspidia Belizin, 1952. Ent. Oboz. 32: 299. Heteraspidia foveata n.g., n.sp. &. Monob. Aspicerinae. Turkmenia. The parallel longitudinal ridges on the scutellum which ends in a blunt point, the radial cell partly open at base as well as on margin, the percurrent parapsidal grooves with a median forked behind indicate that this is a Paraspicera, genus 15, p. 93 in CYNIPOIDEA (1952). Heteraspidia is a synonym of Paraspicera Kieffer (syn. n.) and foreata is Paraspicera foveata (Belizin) (comb. n.). This was called to his attention in October 1960 and a specimen of a Paraspicera was sent to him to see if foreata is not congeneric but there has been no comment.

EUCOILINAE

Trichoplasta Benoit, 1956. Ann. Mus. Congo Belge Tervuren Zool. 51: 537. Trichoplasta Basilewskyi, n. g., n. sp. figs. 2, 8, 11, 12, 21. Q. Monob. Eucoilinae. Belgian Congo. The large cup on scutellum, the disk drawn out into a blunt cone behind, the open radial cell, antennae with a 7 segmented club, tergite II pubescent at the base indicate that it is a Coneucoela. So Trichoplasta becomes a synonym of Coneucoela Kieffer (syn. n.) and the species is Coneucoela basilewskyi (Benoit) (comb. n.).

Coneucoela striatissima Benoit, 1956. idem, p. 533, fig. 1. § §. Eucoilinae. Belgian Congo. The figure of mesoscutum and scutellum shows it is not a Concucoela but represents a new genus near Trissodontaspis Ashmead, differing in having an open radial cell, the sides of pronotum, the mesoscutum and lateral bars striate, the 3rd segment of antenna of female only half of 1 plus 2 and the

flagellum stouter distally. For this the name of Afrodontaspis is here proposed (genus n.) with Afrodontaspis striatissima (Benoit) as the type (comb. n.). Monobasic.

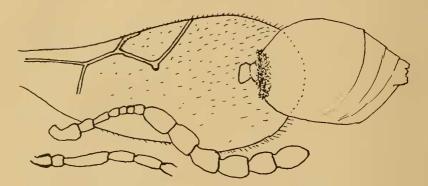


Fig. 1. Didictyum zigzag Riley (from paratype).

Hexaplasta Foerster. 1869. Type: Cothonaspis hexatoma Hartig. Reexamination of the type (Kerrich & Quinlan, Opusc. Ent. 25(3): 191 (1960)) showed that the disk is striate and hence congeneric with Eucoela picierus Giraud, genotype of Hexacola Foerster. This reverses Weld's erroneous statement in CYNIPOIDEA (1952), p. 221, and confirms Rohwer & Fagan in making Hexaplasta a synonym of Hexacola in 1917. Thus Hexaplasta of authors and as a subgenus of Trybliographa in CYNIPOIDEA is left without a name. The oldest name available is Didictyum Riley (1879, in Comstock, Rept. on Cotton Ins., p. 214,500 (misspelled on p. 197) and Amer. Ent. 3: 52 (1880)) with Didictyum zigzag Riley as the type. Types are in the U.S. Natl. Mus. Host: Megaselia aletiae (Comstock), a scavenger on decaying pupae of Aletia. Florida. The disk is punctate, the veins of radial cell almost colorless. Fig. 1 (projected).

When Ganaspis fuscipes Kieffer, 1907, was transferred to *Hexacola* in 1952 it should have been given a new name. *Hexacola fuscicola* is here proposed (name n.).

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